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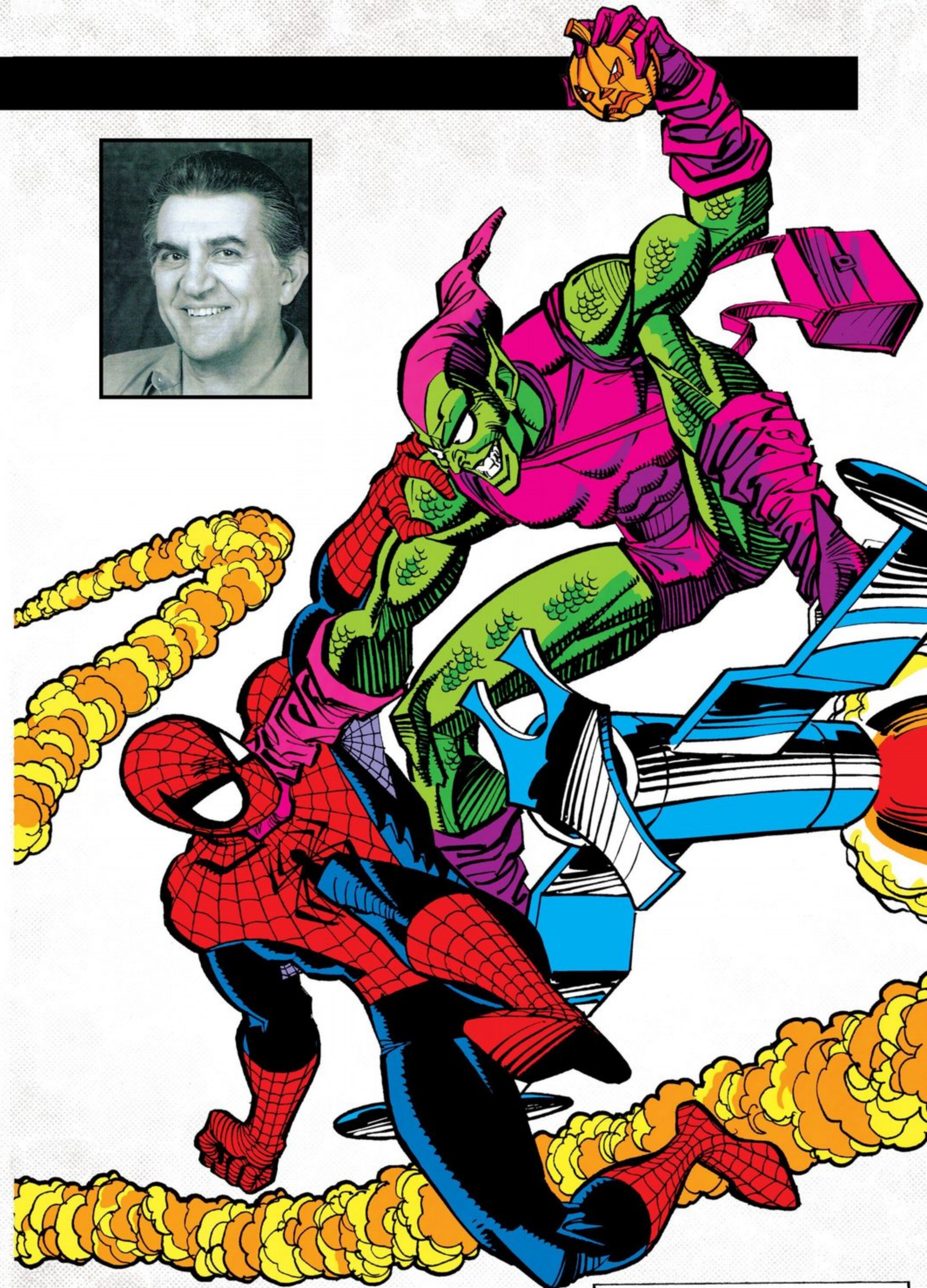
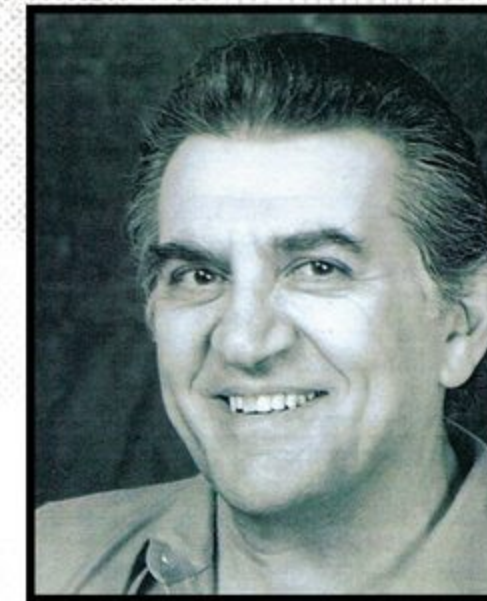
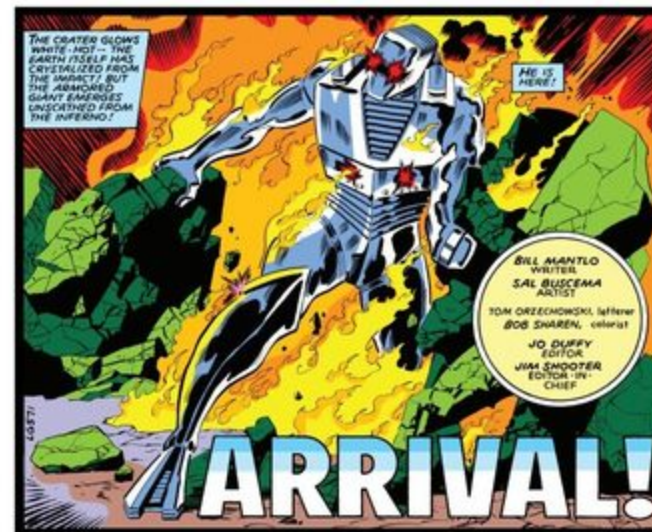
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Marvel pauses to remember Sal Buscema, a foundational Marvel artist since 1969. Buscema was a prolific penciler and inker, working on nearly every Marvel character. His clear, dynamic storytelling was a feature of long, historic runs on *Spectacular Spider-Man*, *Incredible Hulk* and *Rom*. Buscema was famed for drawing bombastic roundhouse punches that sent characters sprawling across the page, but he could also be capable of great subtlety and emotion in his character acting. "Our Pal Sal" will be missed by generations of Marvel fans.



Sal Buscema

PLANET SHE-HULK

JENNIFER WALTERS, A.K.A. SHE-HULK, IS STUCK ON THE ALIEN WORLD SAKAAR AFTER SHE MADE A PROMISE TO HER COUSIN BRUCE BANNER, A.K.A. THE HULK, TO WATCH OVER THE PLANET AND ITS PEOPLE WHILE HE DEALS WITH TROUBLE OFF-WORLD. ALL HELL BROKE LOOSE ON SAKAAR AFTER KORVEN BLACKJAW'S BRIDE, MYRREN, WAS MURDERED. IN HIS GRIEF, KORVEN DECLARED HIMSELF THE PLANET'S NEW KING AND BLAMED QUADE, A BLACKSMITH WHO HAD CHALLENGED HIM FOR THE THRONE, FOR MYRREN'S DEATH, EVEN FORCING SHE-HULK'S BOYFRIEND, JACK OF HEARTS, TO FIGHT ON KORVEN'S BEHALF. SHE-HULK PUT A STOP TO KORVEN'S REIGN, BUT JUNO, ONE OF SHE-HULK'S NEPHEW'S EX-WIVES, BETRAYED HER AND KILLED QUADE. ELLOE OF THE THOUSAND EYES CLAN PLEDGED FEALTY TO SHE-HULK, ASKING HER TO BECOME SAKAAR'S QUEEN. CAN SHE-HULK KEEP THE PEACE ON A PLANET AT WAR, OR WILL SHE BE FORCED TO SMASH IT INTO SUBMISSION?

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BRZZZZP
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TODAY IS JUST LIKE *ANY*
OTHER DAY FOR YOUR FRIENDLY
NEIGHBORHOOD SHE-HULK.

I HIT SNOOZE
ON MY ALARM
*THREE TO
TEN* TIMES.

I BRUSH MY TEETH,
SHOWER, COMPLETELY
FORGO *ALL* ATTEMPTS
AT A *SKINCARE*
ROUTINE (WHAT DOES
THAT EVEN *MEAN...?*).

I PUT ON THE SAME
SUIT I WORE YESTERDAY
BECAUSE, LET'S BE SO
HONEST, IF IT SAYS *DRY
CLEAN ONLY*, THAT
MEANS IT'S NEVER *EVER*
GETTING WASHED.

DON'T
JUDGE
ME.

YOU WANT
TO TELL ME
THAT *ALL* OF YOU
ARE GOING TO THE
DRY CLEANERS
FOR *EVERY SINGLE*
ITEM THAT TELLS
YOU TO?

AND AFTER SOME
LIGHT *FOURTH-WALL
BREAKING* TO GET
THE DAY STARTED, I
KISS MY BOYFRIEND
JACK OF HEARTS,
TAKE MY DAILY DOSE
OF CAFFEINE...



...AND
MAKE IT TO
COURT *RIGHT*
ON TIME.

--AND FOR
THE CHARGE OF
IDENTITY THEFT, MY CLIENT,
COMMONLY KNOWN BY THE
ALIAS *RHINO*, PLEADS *NOT*
GUILTY ON THE GROUNDS THAT
HE DOES NOT, IN FACT,
KNOW WHAT *IDENTITY*
THEFT EVEN *MEANS*.

YUP, JUST YOUR
ABSOLUTELY *NORMAL*,
EVERYDAY LIFE AS A
LARGE GREEN LADY
WITH A LAW DEGREE.

NOTHING
UNUSUAL OF
NOTE AT ALL--







ARGH!



WHUMP!

THERE'RE ACTUALLY NO GIANT BATTLE AXES ALLOWED IN THE COURTROOM.

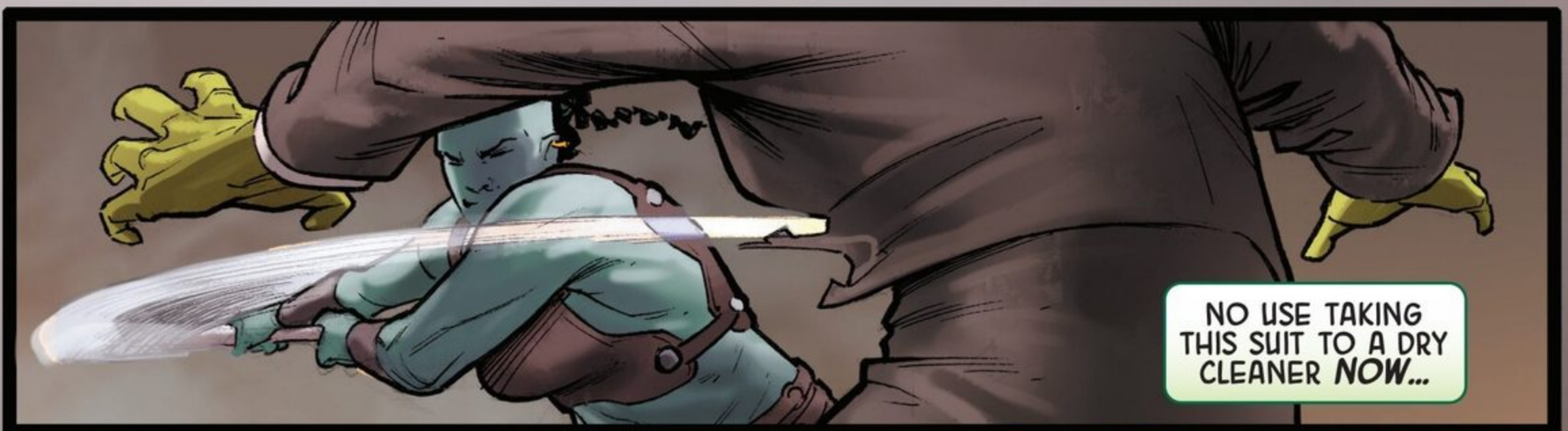
DIDN'T YOU SEE THE SIGN?



HELLO, SHE-HULK.



KRAK!



NO USE TAKING THIS SUIT TO A DRY CLEANER NOW...



FINALLY, I GET MY REMATCH.

I WILL NOT LET YOU BEAT ME AGAIN.

THUMP





JEN?

→GASP!←



WHO ARE YOU?!

AN ASSASSIN
SENT FROM THE
FUTURE TO KILL
ME?

OR...OR
FROM ANOTHER
DIMENSION?



WHAT ARE
YOU TALKING
ABOUT?

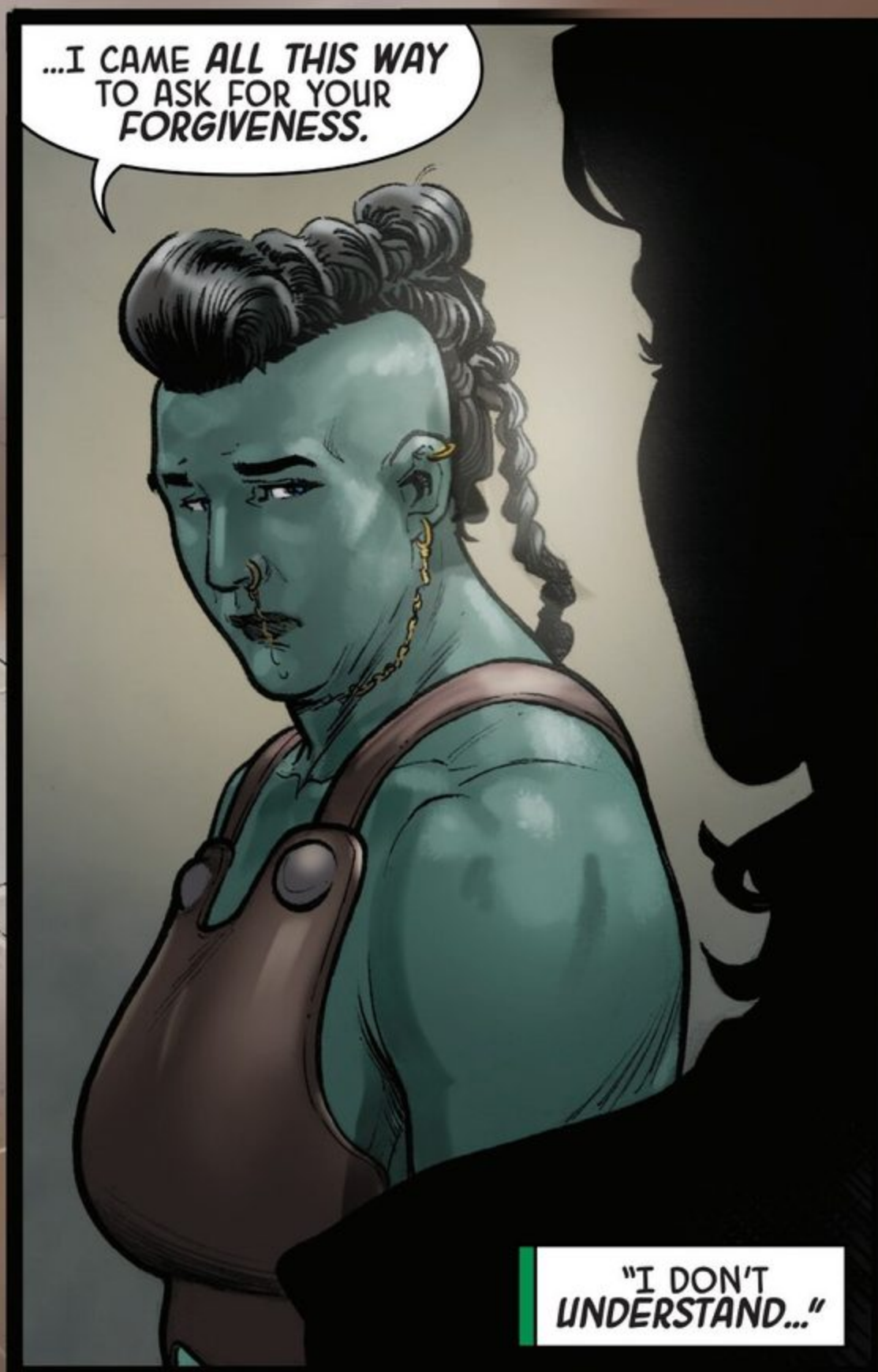
YOU
KNOW ME--
JUNO...FROM
SAKAAR.

I'M NOT
HERE TO *KILL* YOU,
THOUGH I KNOW WHY
YOU MIGHT *THINK* THAT.



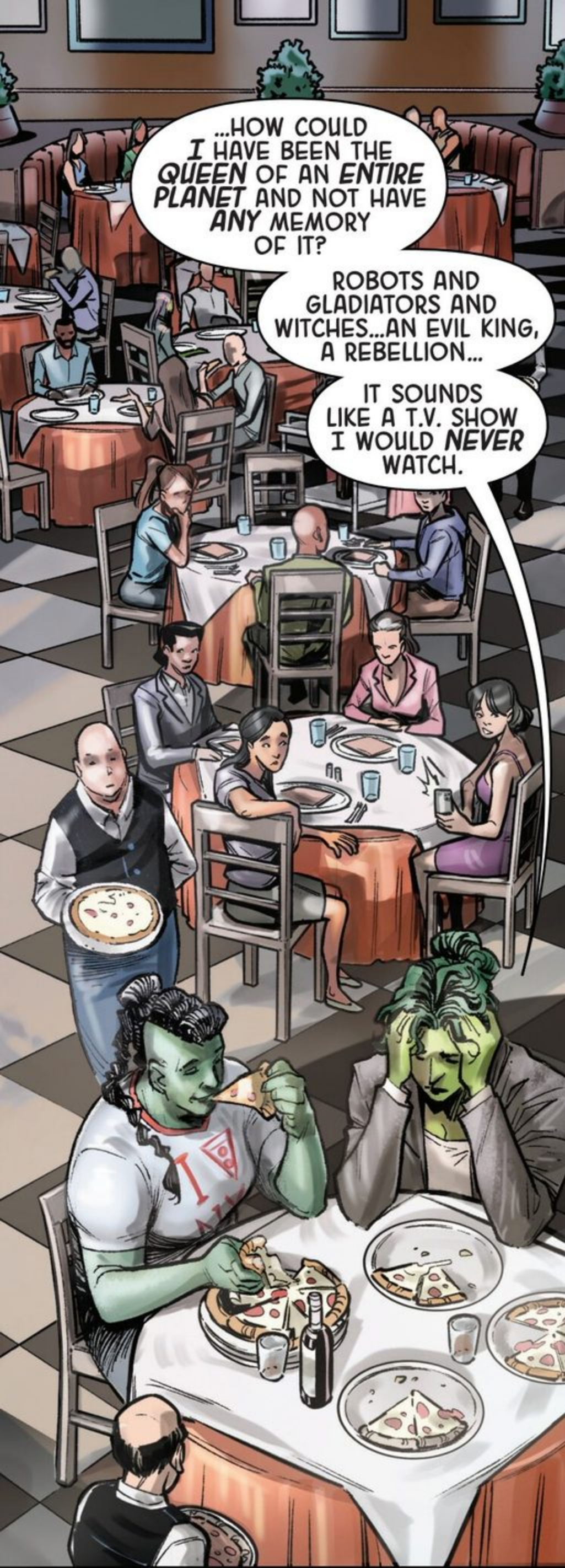
WHAT I DID
BACK ON SAKAAR...
I THOUGHT IT WAS
THE *RIGHT* THING,
JEN.

I REALIZE
NOW HOW
MISGUIDED MY
ACTIONS WERE,
AND I...



...I CAME *ALL THIS WAY*
TO ASK FOR YOUR
FORGIVENESS.

"I DON'T
UNDERSTAND..."





THIS IS **AMAZING!** I COULD LITERALLY TELL YOU **ANYTHING** HAPPENED AND YOU'D **HAVE** TO BELIEVE ME.

SO... THAT **DIDN'T** HAPPEN?
THE ROBOT BABIES AND BEING QUEEN AND FIGHTING SOME CULT CALLED THE THOUSAND EYES...?



OH, NO. THAT'S **ALL** TRUE... EXCEPT FOR THE ROBOT-BABY THING.

AND, LOOK, I'LL TELL YOU WHAT HAPPENED, JEN--WHAT **REALLY** HAPPENED-- BUT I...

"...I THINK
I'M THE
VILLAIN OF
THIS STORY.

SAKAAR
EN NEVO
THEN

"I WAS HIRO-KALA'S *FIRST* WIFE...
A LOVE CONNECTION TURNED
POLITICAL AS WE AGREED TO
BUILD A STRONGER, UNITED
SAKAAR WHEN HE BECAME KING.

"BUT THEN HIS *ADVISORS*
TALKED HIM INTO *MORE*
MARRIAGES WITH OUTSIDERS
AND WITCHES--ALL TO
SECURE *ALLIANCES*.

SHE
WENT THIS
WAY!

"WHEN HIRO-KALA
DIED, I WAS LEFT
WITH *NOTHING*.

"MULTIPLE CLAIMS TO THE
THRONE WITHOUT MY NAME
MENTIONED EVEN *ONCE*...
WITHOUT ANY CONSIDERATION
FOR WHAT WAS *BEST* FOR SAKAAR.

"SO I *BETRAYED*
YOU, SHE-HULK,
BECAUSE I FELT
I WAS *OUT OF*
OPTIONS.

JUMP!

"KORVEN BLACKJAW, THE
MAN DECLARING HIMSELF
KING, MADE *MANY* PROMISES
TO ME...AND I *FOOLISHLY*
BELIEVED THEM.



"BUT THE *VERY SAME* NIGHT
I KILLED IN KORVEN'S NAME
AND RAISED MY WEAPON
AGAINST *YOU*, SHE-HULK..."



"...KORVEN'S
MEN CAME TO
KILL *ME*."



"I WAS TRAINED TO
BE A *GLADIATOR*,
NOT A *POLITICIAN*."



"I KILL BECAUSE IT COMES
EASILY TO ME, BUT I
KNEW IN MY HEART..."



"...HIRO-KALA
WOULD HAVE BEEN
DISAPPOINTED
IN ME."



"AND WHILE I
BETRAYED YOU
AND THE
MEMORY OF THE
MAN I LOVED..."



DARKLANDS OF SAKAAR.

"...YOU WERE
TRYING TO
SAVE YOURS.

"YOU WENT TO *THORN*...HIRO-KALA'S
THIRD WIFE AND LEADER OF THE
BURNED HAND, A COVEN OF WITCHES
CLAIMING TO BE CONTROLLING
SAKAAR FROM THE SHADOWS...

ARE YOU
SURE ABOUT THIS,
THORN?

DO YOU
HAVE A *DIFFERENT*
OPTION FOR RESTORING
THE MIND OF YOUR
LOVER?

I'M *BLINDED*
BY LOVE AND WOULD
ALLOW EVEN AN *INSANE*
WITCH TO PERFORM SOME
KIND OF *HOKEY MAGIC* ON
JACK OF HEARTS, DESPITE NOT
UNDERSTANDING THE
CONSEQUENCES--



THAT DOES NOT SOUND LIKE SOMETHING I WOULD SAY!



WELL, I WASN'T *THERE* AND YOU HAVE NO MEMORY OF IT, SO WHO'S TO SAY YOU *DIDN'T* SAY IT?

JUST...CAN WE KEEP THE CREATIVE LIBERTIES TO A *MINIMUM*, PLEASE?

I *NEED* TO KNOW WHAT HAPPENED AND WHY I DON'T REMEMBER *ANY* OF IT.

LIKE I SAID--I WASN'T THERE, BUT PEOPLE *LOVE* TO TELL STORIES...



"THE WAY I HEARD IT, YOU MADE SOME KIND OF *DEAL* WITH THE BURNED HAND.



"*ALL* MAGIC HAS A COST, JENNIFER, BUT THE BURNED HAND ARE *KNOWN* FOR THEIR *HIGH* PRICES.

"AND WHATEVER YOU *PAID*...



"...I GUESS
IT WORKED.

"BECAUSE YOUR
ASSAULT ON THE
SAAKARIAN ROYAL
CASTLE IS *ALREADY*
LEGENDARY.

"AND IF I HAD BEEN
THERE, I'M SURE I
WOULD HAVE SEEN SOME
OF THE MOST *AMAZING*
BATTLE SCENES...

"YOU *SMASHING* ALL
THOSE SILLY ROYAL
GUARDS AND FINALLY
FACING KORVEN
BLACKJAW...

"...THE
THOUSAND
EYES AT
YOUR SIDE...

"...JACK OF
HEARTS AT
FULL POWER...

"...EVEN THE
BURNED HAND
DOING THEIR
CREEPY, DARK-
MAGIC THING...

"...IT WOULD'VE
BEEN *INCREDIBLE*
TO WITNESS.

"AND AS THE LEGEND GOES, ONCE KORVEN BLACKJAW REALIZED HIS BATTLE WAS A **LOSING** ONE, HE ATTEMPTED TO FLEE.



"SOME SAY **ELLOE OF THE THOUSAND EYES** BROUGHT KORVEN TO HIS END...



"...OTHERS BELIEVE **YOU** SPARED HIS LIFE IN THE NAME OF **JUSTICE**.



"A BIT BORING BUT IT **DOES** SEEM LIKE YOUR KIND OF THING.

--AND **THINK** ABOUT WHAT YOU'VE DONE!



"**PERSONALLY**, I LIKE THE VERSION WHERE **ELARA**--FOURTH WIFE OF **HIRO-KALA** AND LOVER OF **QUADE** THE **BLACKSMITH**--TAKES REVENGE FOR **QUADE'S** MURDER.

THIS IS FOR **QUADE**.



"THE CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT ON THAT ONE IS A BIT **RUSHED** SINCE WE ALL KNEW **ELARA** AS A BIT **NAIVE**... BUT WHO DOESN'T LOVE A GOOD **REVENGE** NARRATIVE?"

"ROWAN CREED, THE MERCHANT RULER, FLED THE PLANET, TAKING HIS RESOURCES AND HIS BUSINESS WITH HIM.

"A MOVE THAT NO DOUBT CAUSED ECONOMIC INSTABILITY, BUT THAT'S A PROBLEM FOR YOUR SUCCESSORS, I SUPPOSE.



YOU'VE EARNED THE THRONE, SHE-HULK.

WHEN MY COUSIN HULK LEFT ME HERE, I WAS ANGRY AND FRUSTRATED...WANTING NOTHING MORE THAN TO LEAVE AND NEVER SEE THIS PLANET AGAIN.

AND WHILE I WAS WRONG ABOUT A LOT OF THE THINGS I SAID ABOUT SAKAAR...



...I WAS RIGHT WHEN I SAID I SHOULDN'T BE QUEEN.

THEN...WHO SHOULD?

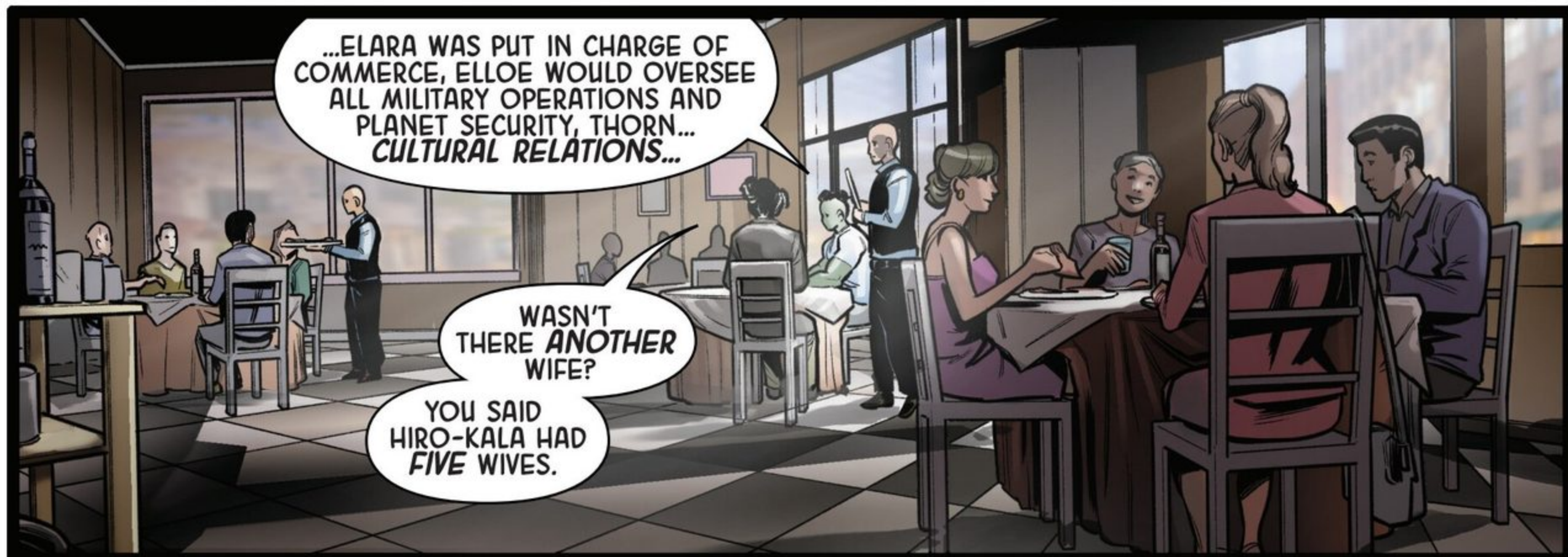
NO ONE.



SAKAAR WILL HAVE NO KINGS OR QUEENS...



"IN AN ANNOYING DISPLAY OF VIRTUE OR WHATEVER, YOU OVERSAW THE FORMATION OF A NEW SAKAARIAN GOVERNMENT..."



...ELARA WAS PUT IN CHARGE OF COMMERCE, ELLOE WOULD OVERSEE ALL MILITARY OPERATIONS AND PLANET SECURITY, THORN...
CULTURAL RELATIONS...

WASN'T THERE **ANOTHER** WIFE?

YOU SAID HIRO-KALA HAD **FIVE** WIVES.



OH, YEAH. **OVAKI**. WE HAVEN'T SEEN HER SINCE **THE IMPERIAL WAR: PLANET SHE-HULK ONE-SHOT**.

SNAP!

YOU PUT HER IN CHARGE OF **DIPLOMACY**, I THINK... WHICH MUST BE INTERESTING SINCE SHE SPEAKS IN **ALIEN SYMBOLS** NO ONE CAN UNDERSTAND.



I **STILL** DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY I DON'T **REMEMBER** ANY OF THIS OR WHY **YOU'RE** HERE.

WANT TO KNOW WHAT **I** THINK?



I THINK THE MAGIC YOU USED TO RESTORE JACK OF HEARTS' MEMORY CLEARLY DID **SOMETHING** TO YOUR OWN.



AND YOU CAME **ALL THE WAY** TO EARTH BECAUSE YOU WANTED TO SAY **SORRY** FOR **BEHEADING** QUADE AND TURNING ON ME?

YES.



TODAY IS JUST LIKE
ANY OTHER DAY
FOR YOUR FRIENDLY
NEIGHBORHOOD
SHE-HULK.

THOOOM

I LEARNED I WAS
ALMOST THE QUEEN OF
AN **ENTIRE** PLANET AND
FOUGHT IN A WAR I
HAVE NO MEMORY OF...

CONRAD!

I WAS
BEGINNING TO
THINK THE MAGIC
TELEPORTATION SPELL
DIDN'T WORK
FOR HIM.

...I JUST RACKED UP
THE **HIGHEST** PIZZA
BILL KNOWN TO
NEW YORK...

YEAH, I
DON'T THINK IT
DID WORK.

THAT GUY'S
DEAD.

HAPPENS
ALL THE TIME.
HE'LL GET
OVER IT.

SO, WHAT
DO YOU
SAY?

CAN WE
STAY WITH
YOU?

...AND I MANAGED TO END
THIS STORY WITH ENOUGH OF
A CLIFFHANGER TO MAKE
READERS WANT TO SEE JUST
WHAT SHE-HULK AND HER
NEW ROOMMATES DO NEXT.

**ALL IN A
DAY'S WORK.**

THE END?